

# Identification of Emissions Sources for Pinal County

Technical Advisory  
Meeting  
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# Agenda

- ◆ Introductions
- ◆ Presentation and Discussion of Work Completed Since Last TAC Meeting
- ◆ Review of and Comment on Final Products
- ◆ Next (Final) Steps

# Presentation and Discussion of Work Completed Since Last TAC Meeting

- ◆ Task 3 Prepare and Analyze Emissions Estimates: Ozone and PM<sub>10</sub> Analysis
- ◆ Task 5 Prepare PM<sub>10</sub> Attainment Plan Blueprint
- ◆ Task 6 Evaluate Unpaved Road Treatment Control Efficiency

# Task 3 Prepare and Analyze Emissions Estimates: Ozone and PM<sub>10</sub> Analysis

## Completed

- ◆ Prepared report on Ozone analysis
- ◆ Incorporated received comments into PM<sub>10</sub> spreadsheet tool and user manual
- ◆ Prepared analysis of control efficiency and cost-effectiveness of unpaved road control measures

## Remaining

- ◆ Respond to comments on reports

# Task 5 Prepare PM 10 Attainment Plan Blueprint

## Completed

- ◆ Evaluated current EPA attainment planning requirements
- ◆ Completed final analysis of Pinal County PM<sub>10</sub> air quality data
- ◆ Completed review of PM<sub>10</sub> forecasting models used in other serious non-attainment areas
- ◆ Completed evaluation of forecasting models under development
- ◆ Drafted Blueprint report

# Task 5 Prepare PM 10 Attainment Plan Blueprint

## Remaining

- ◆ Respond to comments on report

# Task 6 Evaluate Unpaved Road Treatment Control Efficiency

## Completed

- ◆ Emission data collection from treated and untreated sections of unpaved roads
- ◆ Analysis of unpaved road treatment control efficiency

## Remaining

- ◆ Respond to comments on report

# Review of and Comment on Final Products

## New Products

- ◆ Blueprint for Development of PM<sub>10</sub> Attainment Plan
- ◆ Measurements of PM<sub>10</sub> Emission Factors from Unpaved Roads in Arizona to Determine the Efficiency of Dust Suppressants

## Products Previously Discussed

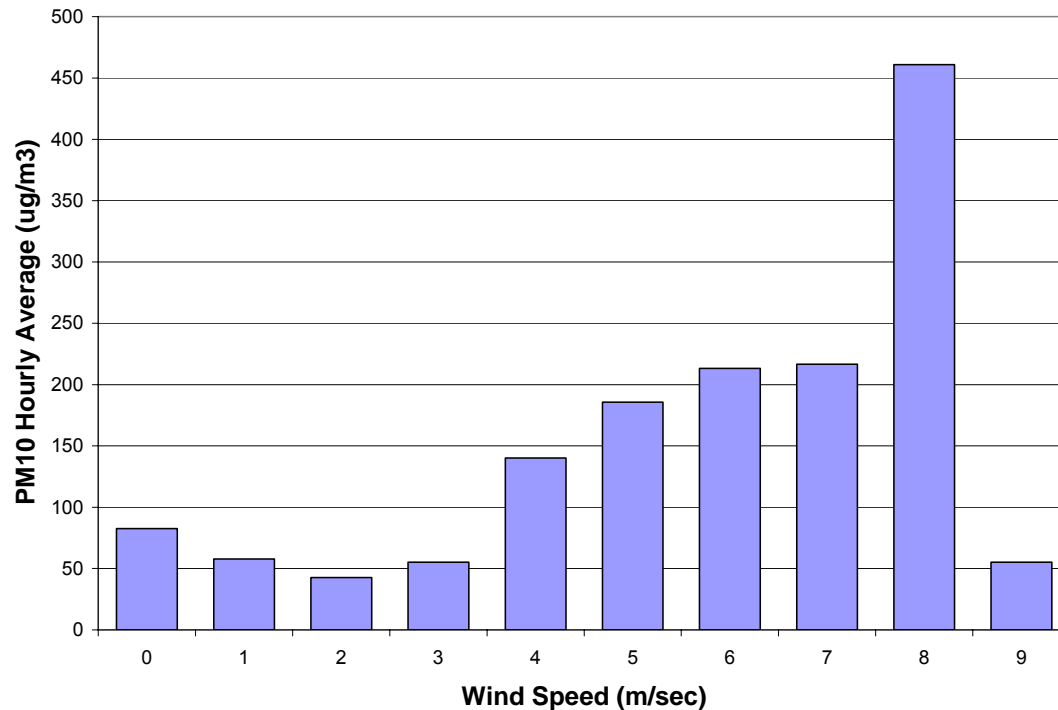
- ◆ Projected Change in Ozone Precursors
- ◆ Spreadsheet Model for Computing PM<sub>10</sub> Impacts from Unpaved Road Travel



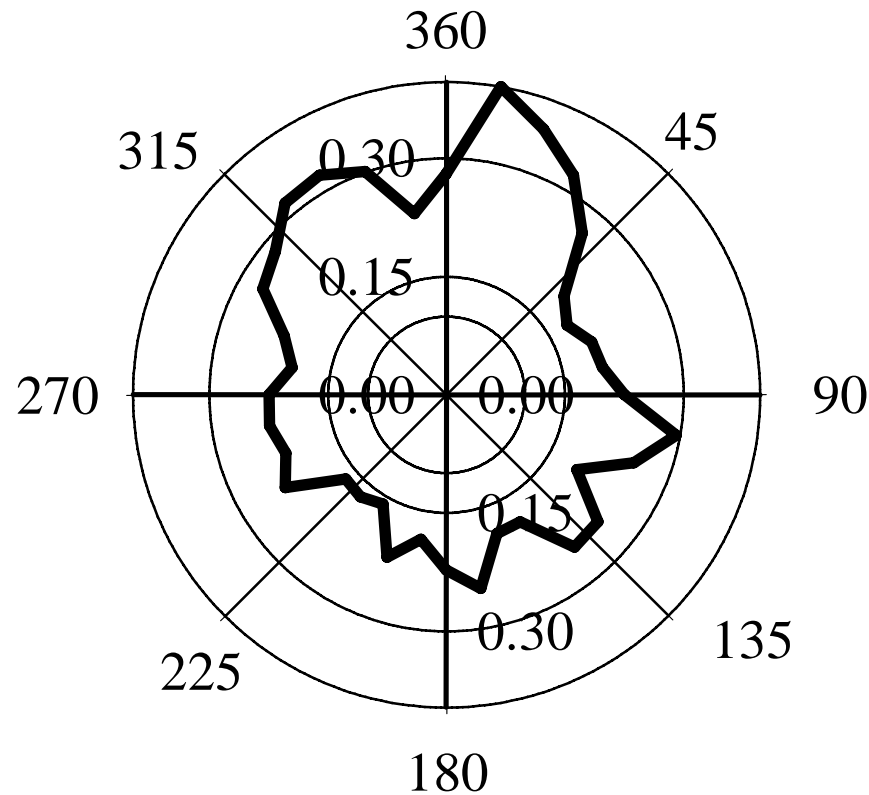


# **Blueprint for Development of PM<sub>10</sub> Attainment Plan**

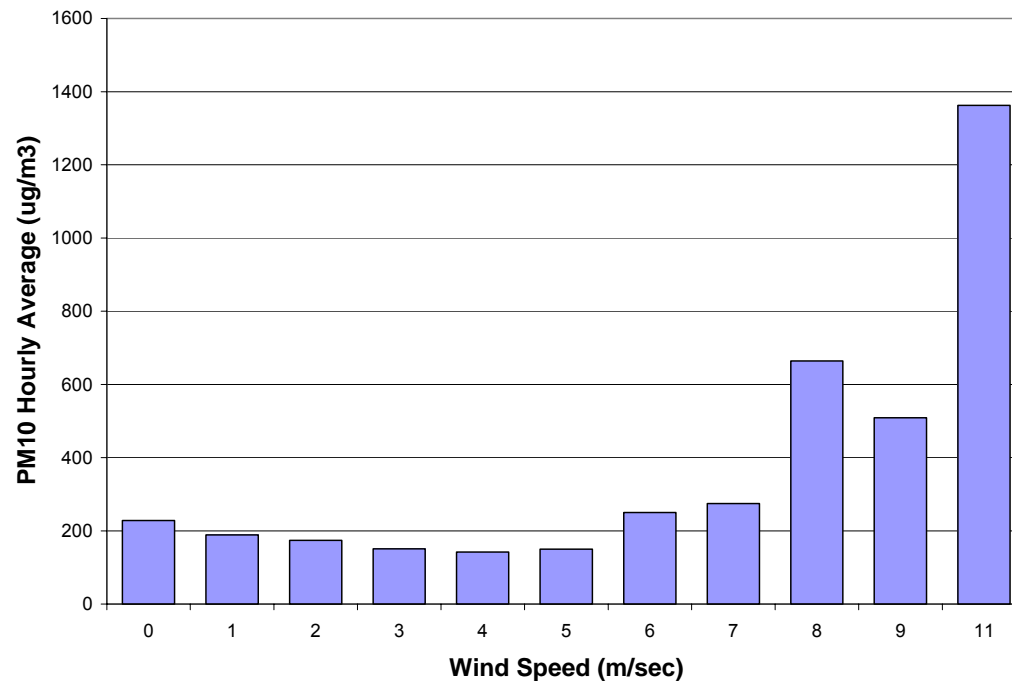
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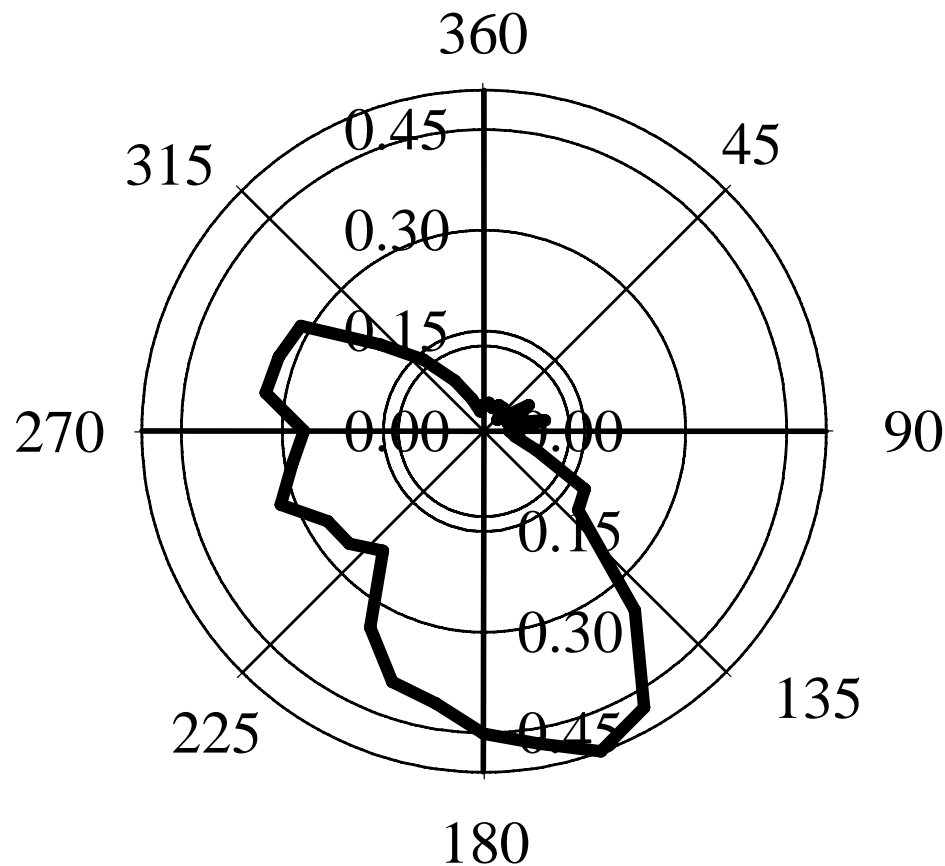
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# Average Hourly PM<sub>10</sub> vs. Wind Speed Cowntown, 2005



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# Task 5 Prepare PM<sub>10</sub> Attainment Plan Blueprint

## Findings

- ◆ Monitoring data indicate only 1 or 2 PM<sub>10</sub> stations that satisfy EPA siting criteria violate federal ambient air quality standards
- ◆ The emission inventory shows that 86% of PM<sub>10</sub> emissions are generated by area sources such as unpaved road use, agricultural tilling, and construction

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## Findings

- ◆ No emission inventory system will forecast trends in 24-hour average PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations in areas where fugitive dust sources predominate
- ◆ Additional studies, such as microinventory modeling, are needed to estimate the levels of controls necessary to attain PM<sub>10</sub> standards

# Task 5 Prepare PM<sub>10</sub> Attainment Plan Blueprint

## Findings

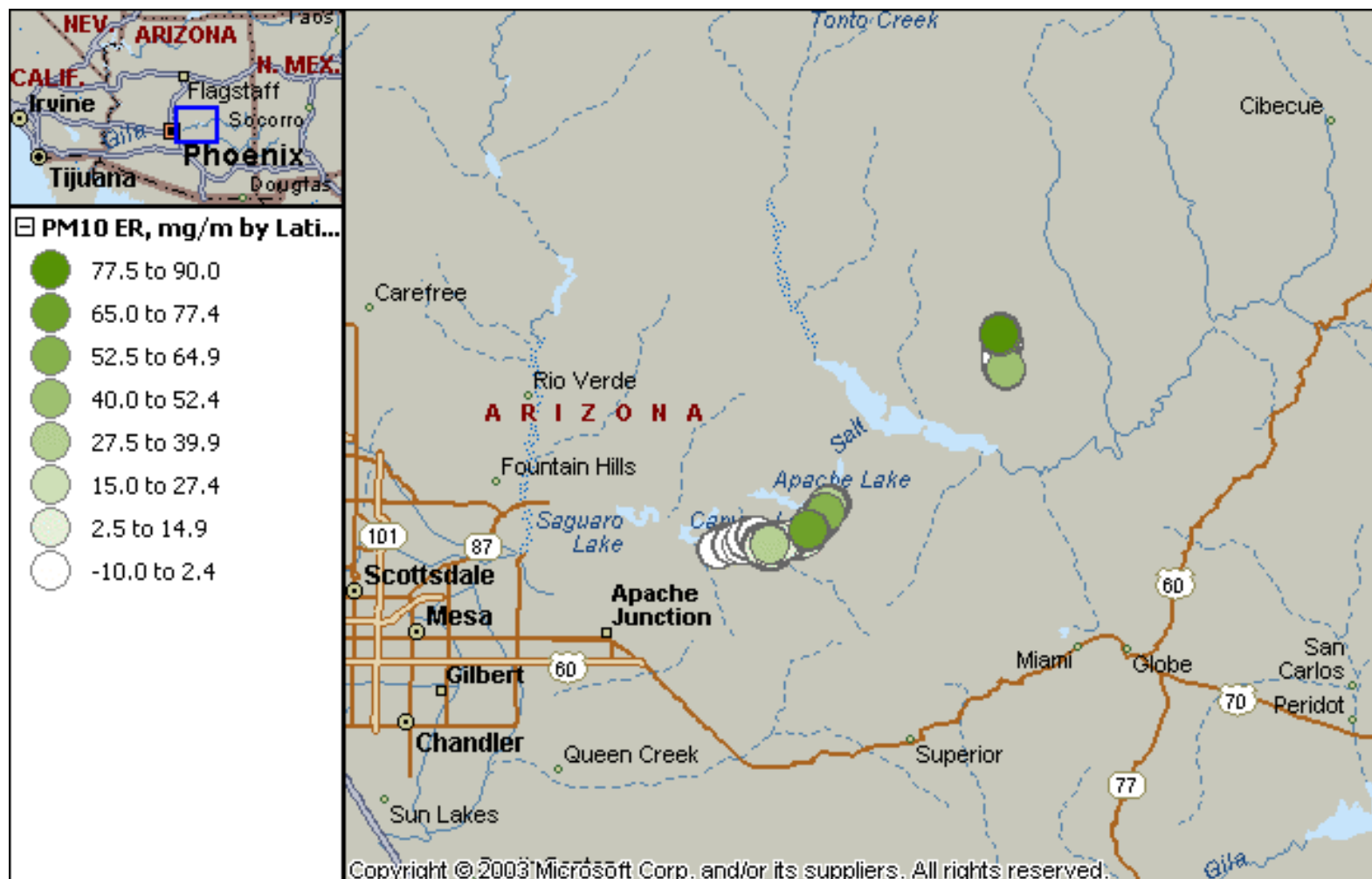
- ◆ If EPA chooses to exempt areas in which rural dust sources dominate the emission inventory from compliance with PM<sub>coarse</sub> ambient standards, Pinal County will be obligated to use other public health goals as a basis for the regulation of local fugitive dust sources



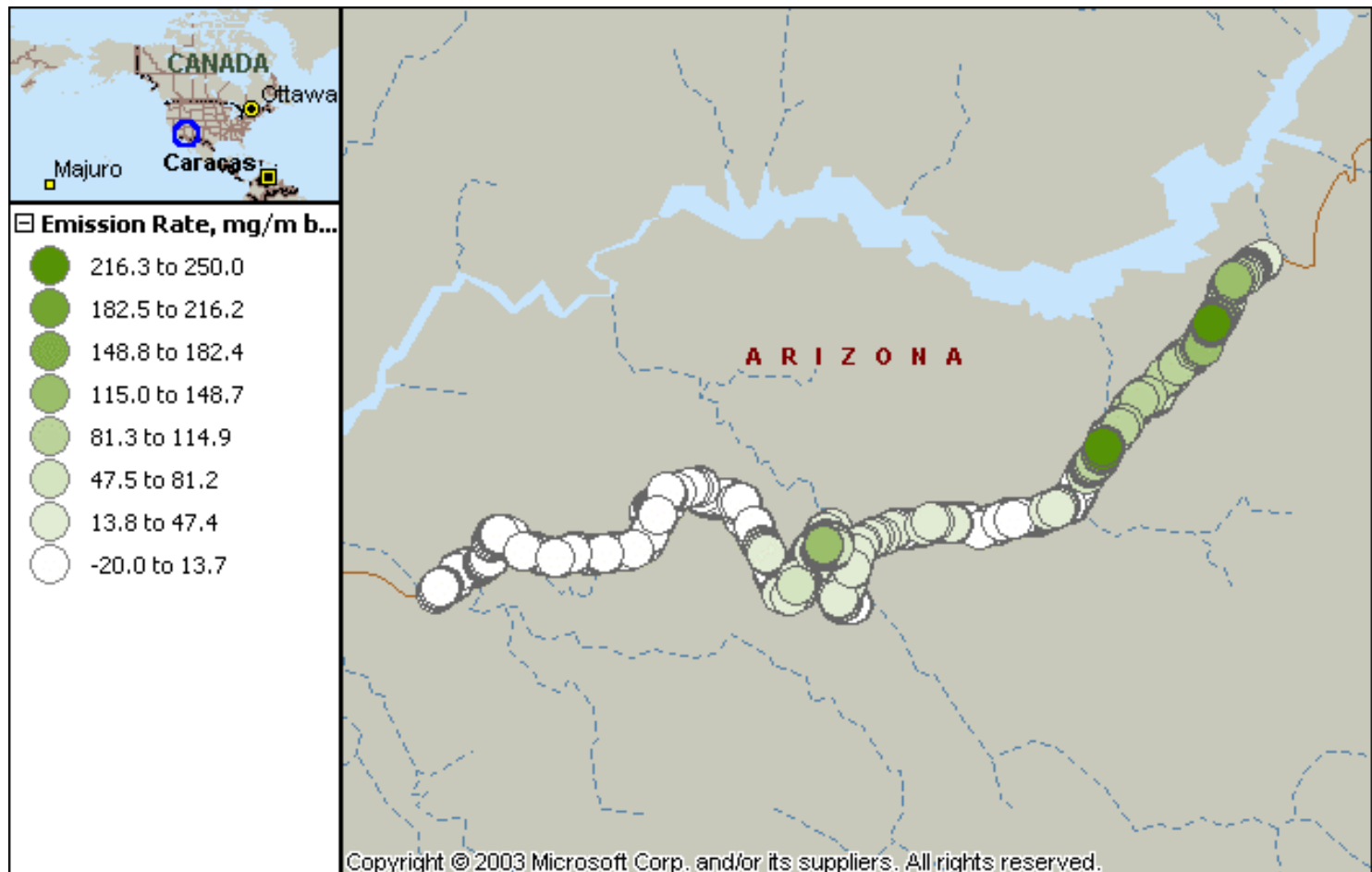


# **Measurements of PM<sub>10</sub> Emission Factors from Unpaved Roads in Arizona to Determine the Efficiency of Dust Suppressants**

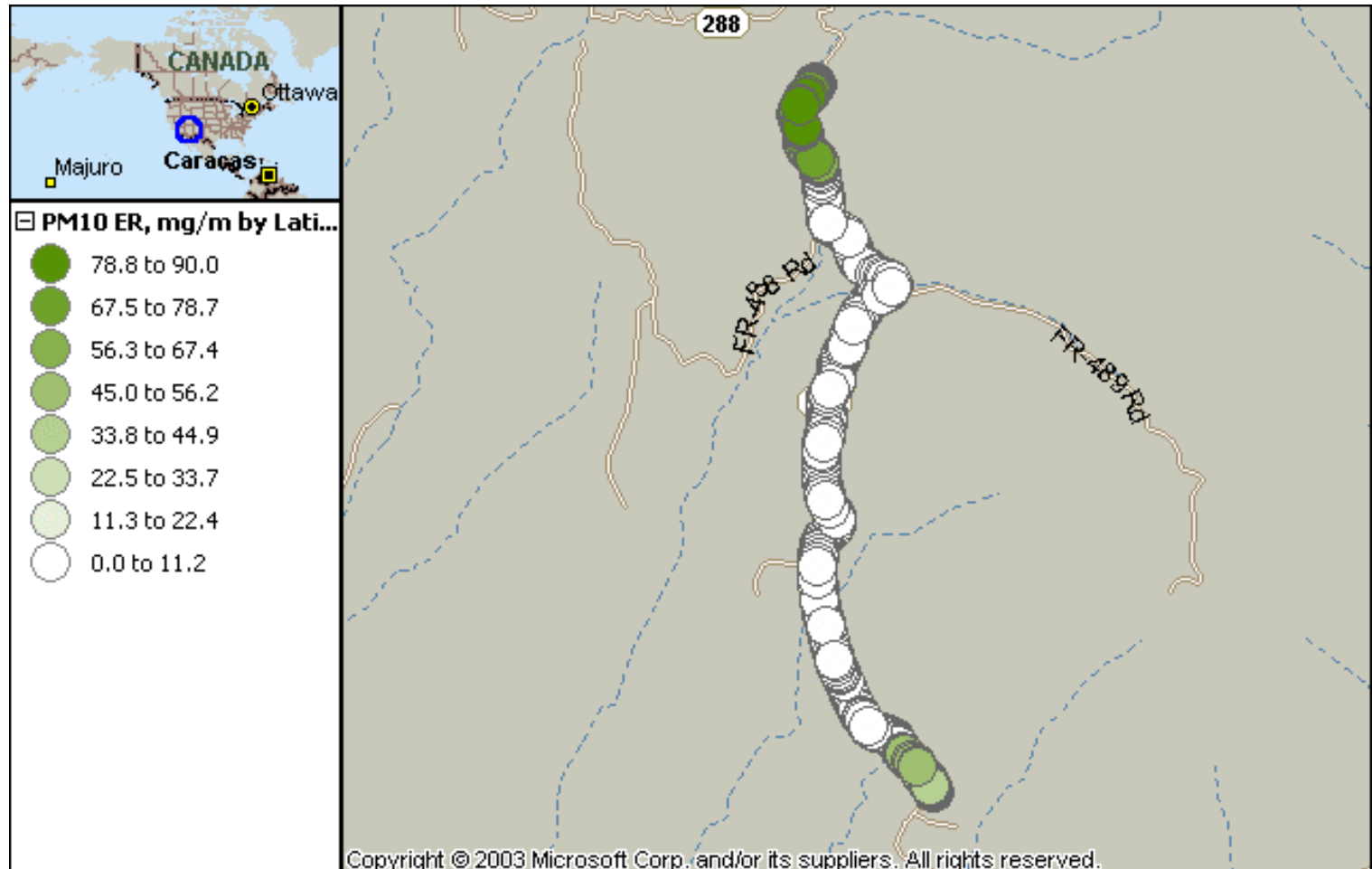
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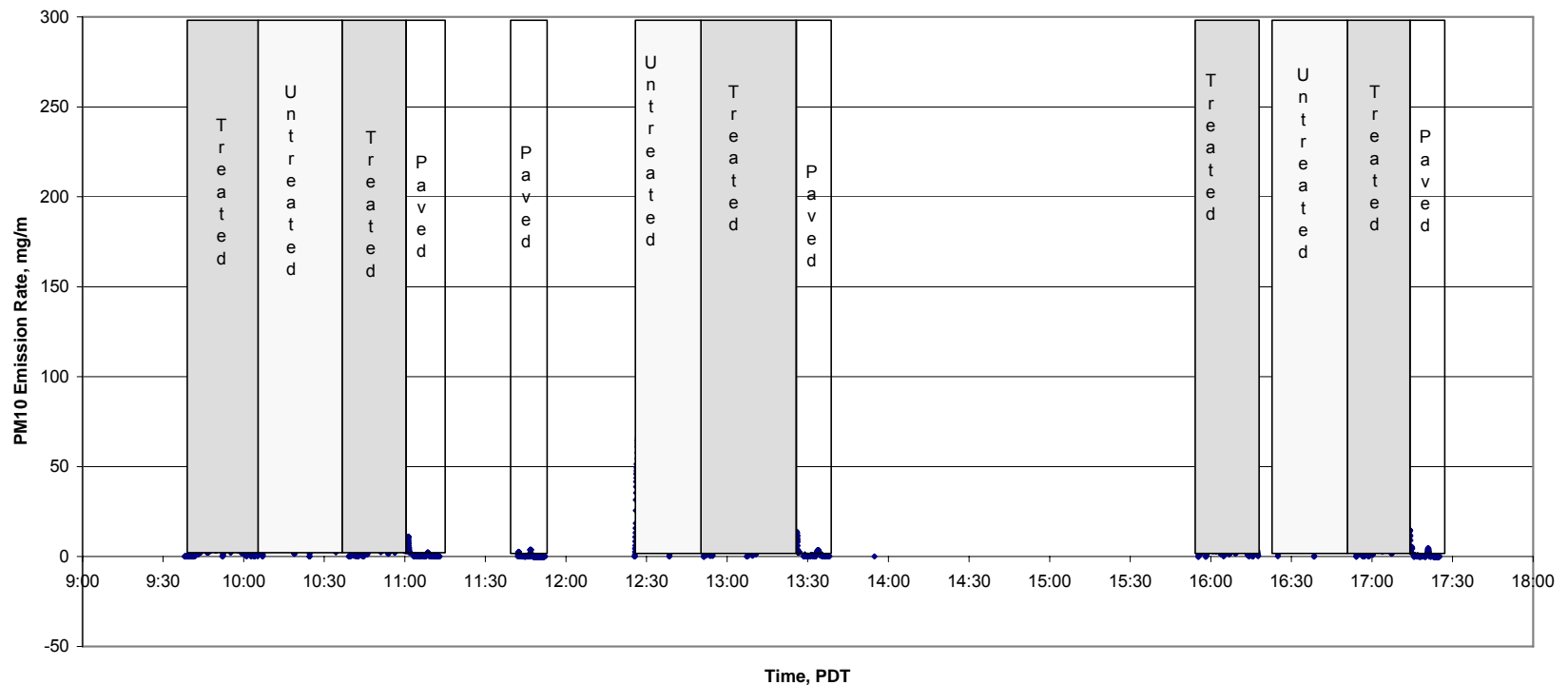
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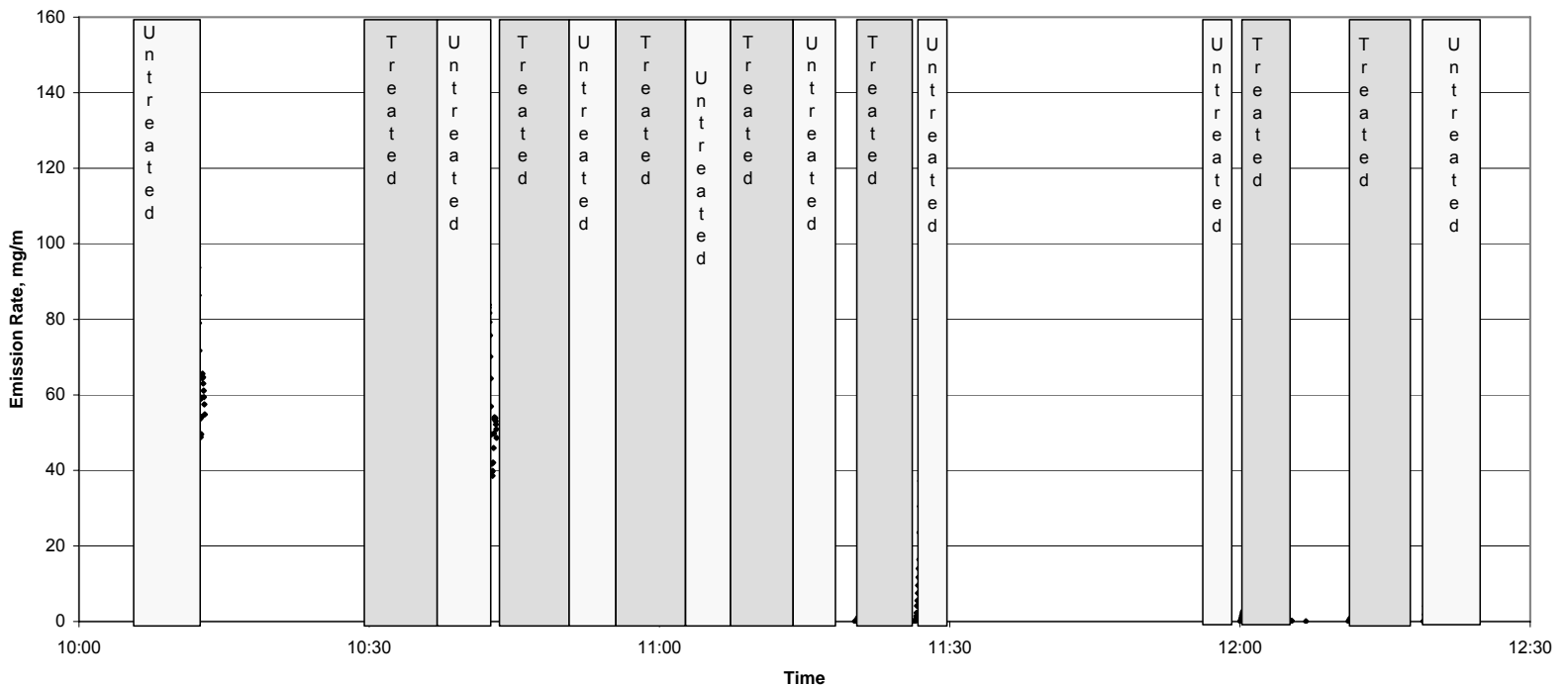
# Photograph of the SCAMPER Testing SR88



# Time Series Plot of PM<sub>10</sub> Emissions During the Test Conducted on SR88 October 10, 2005



# Time Series Plot of PM<sub>10</sub> Emissions During the Test Conducted on SR188 October 11, 2005



# Conclusions

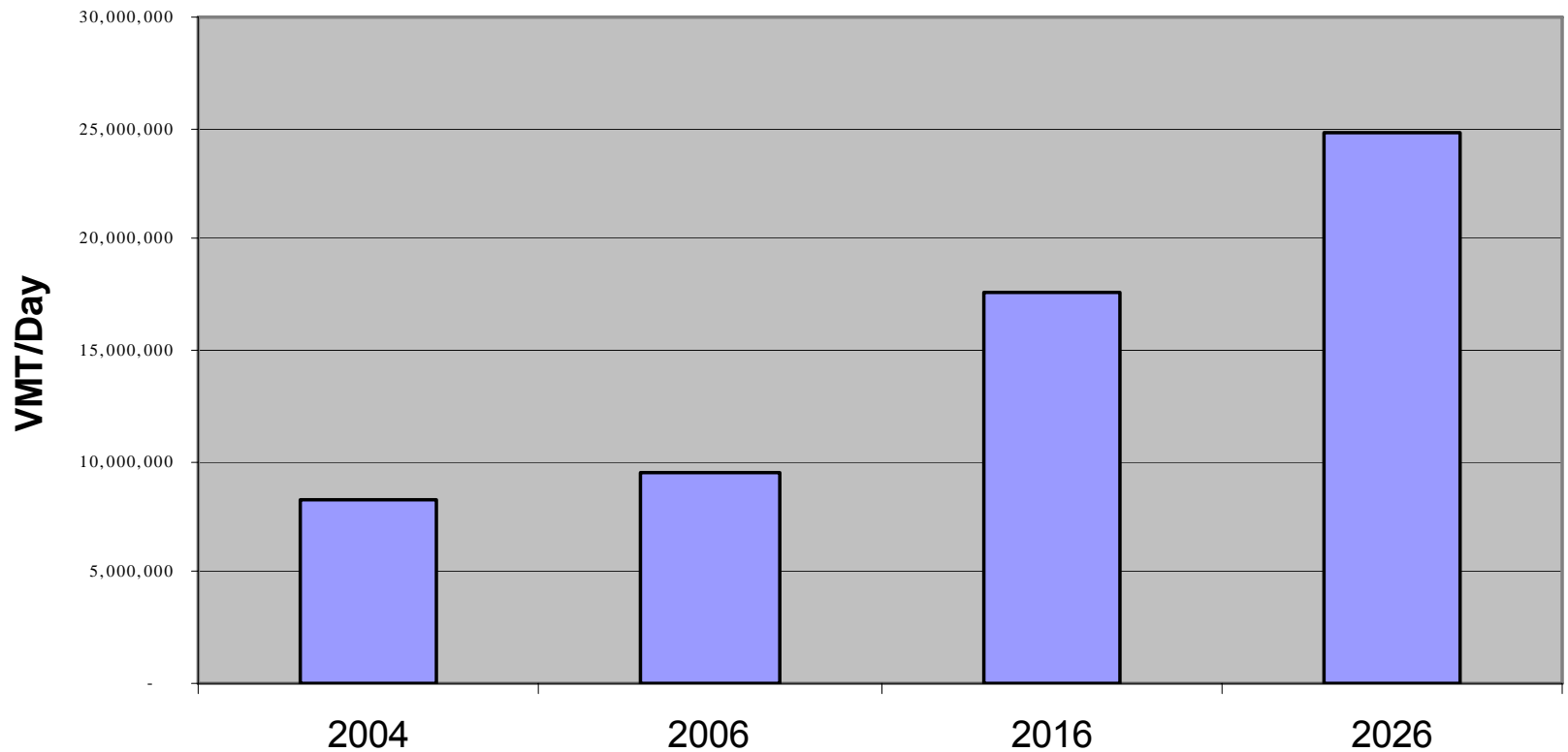
- ◆ The portion of SR88 treated with an acrylic copolymer in 2003 and 2005 measured 81% control efficiency
- ◆ The portion of SR188 treated with 6" base and emulsified asphalt sealant in September 2004 measured 98% control efficiency



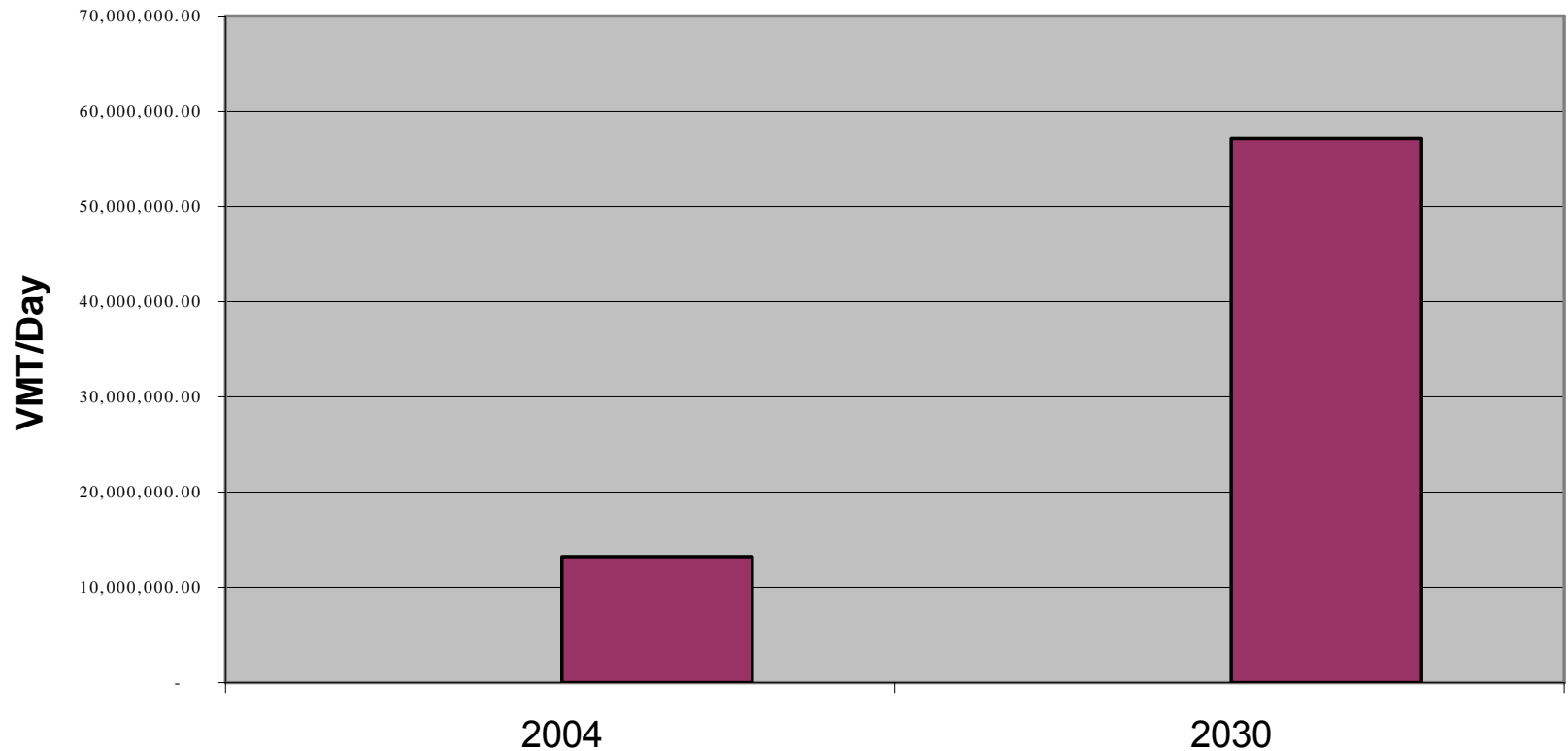


# **Projected Change in Ozone Precursors**

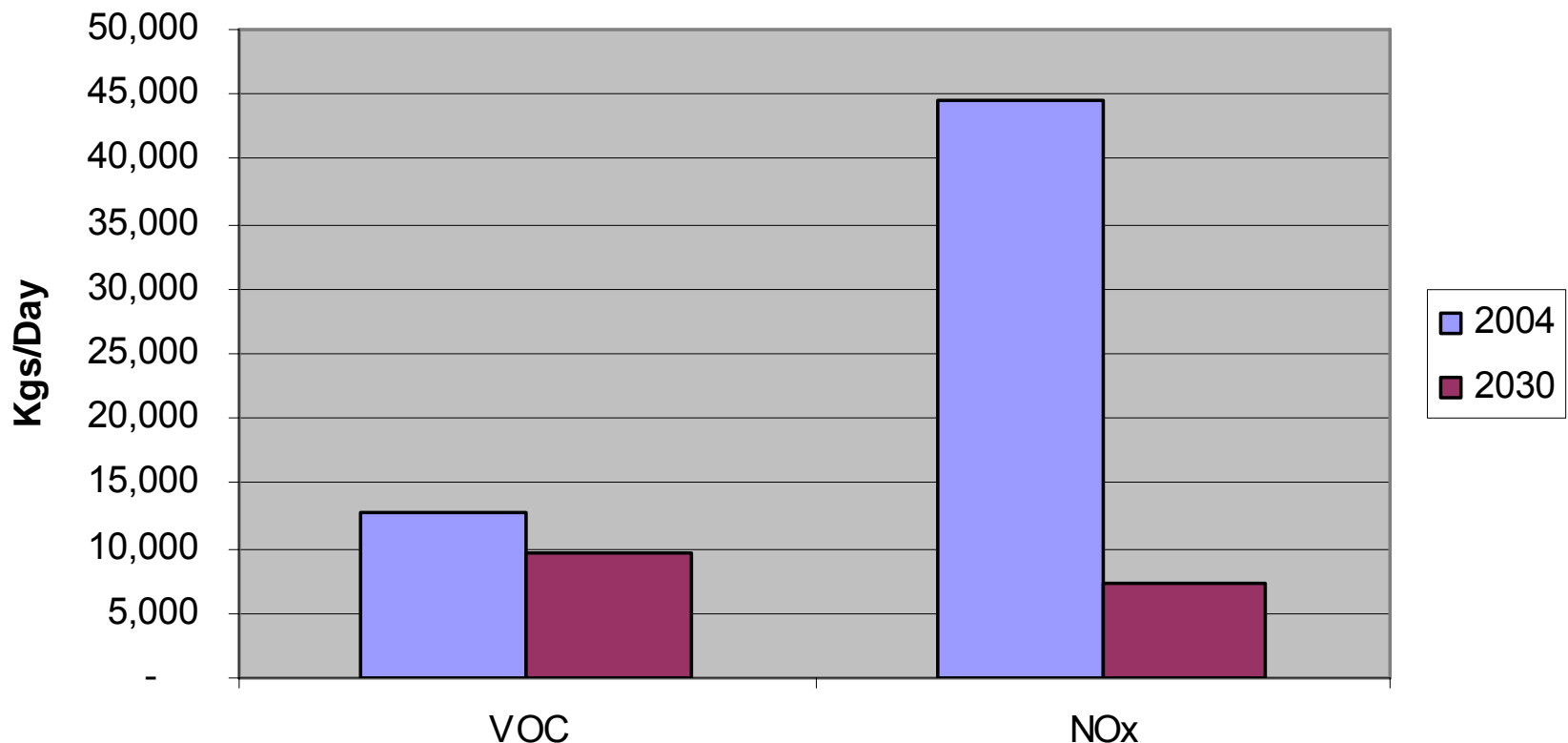
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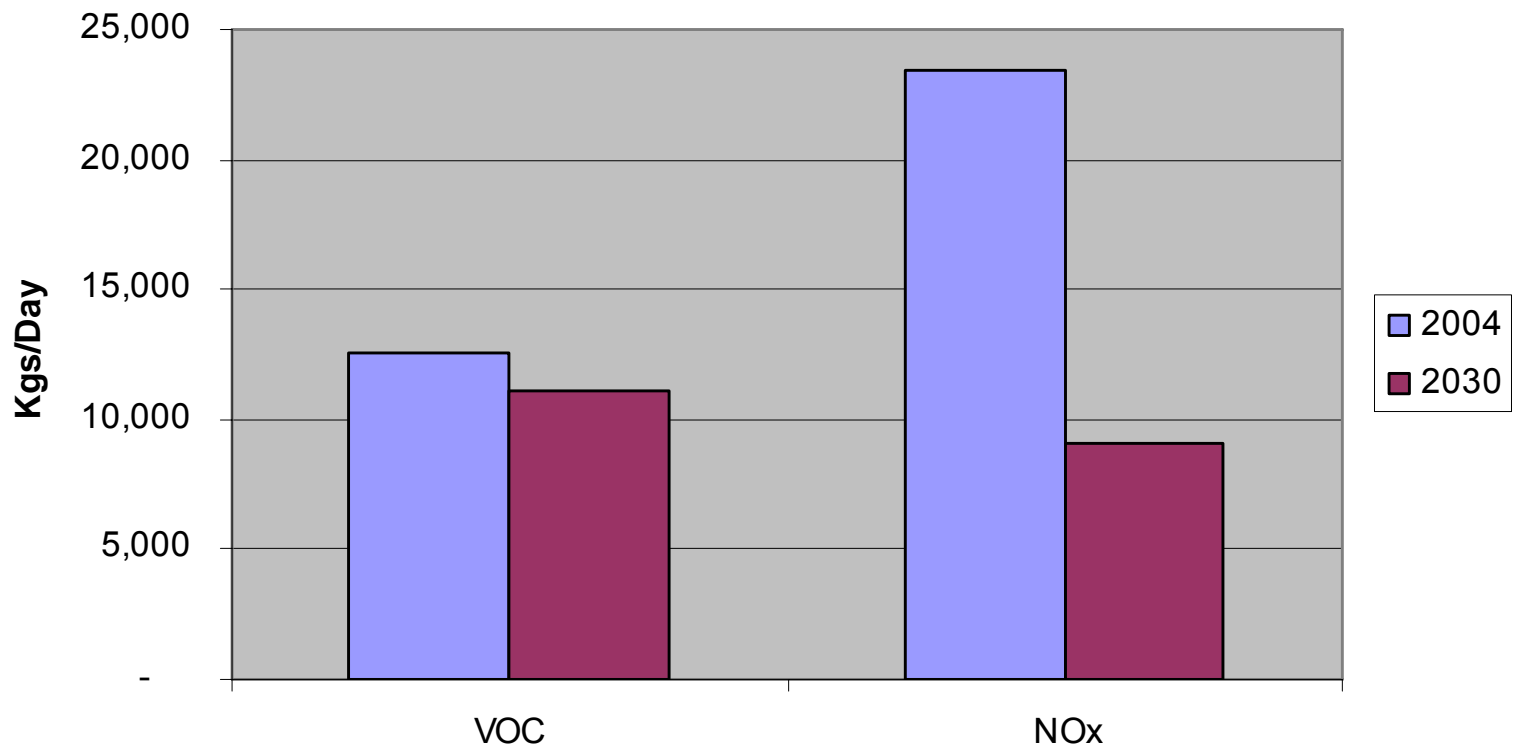
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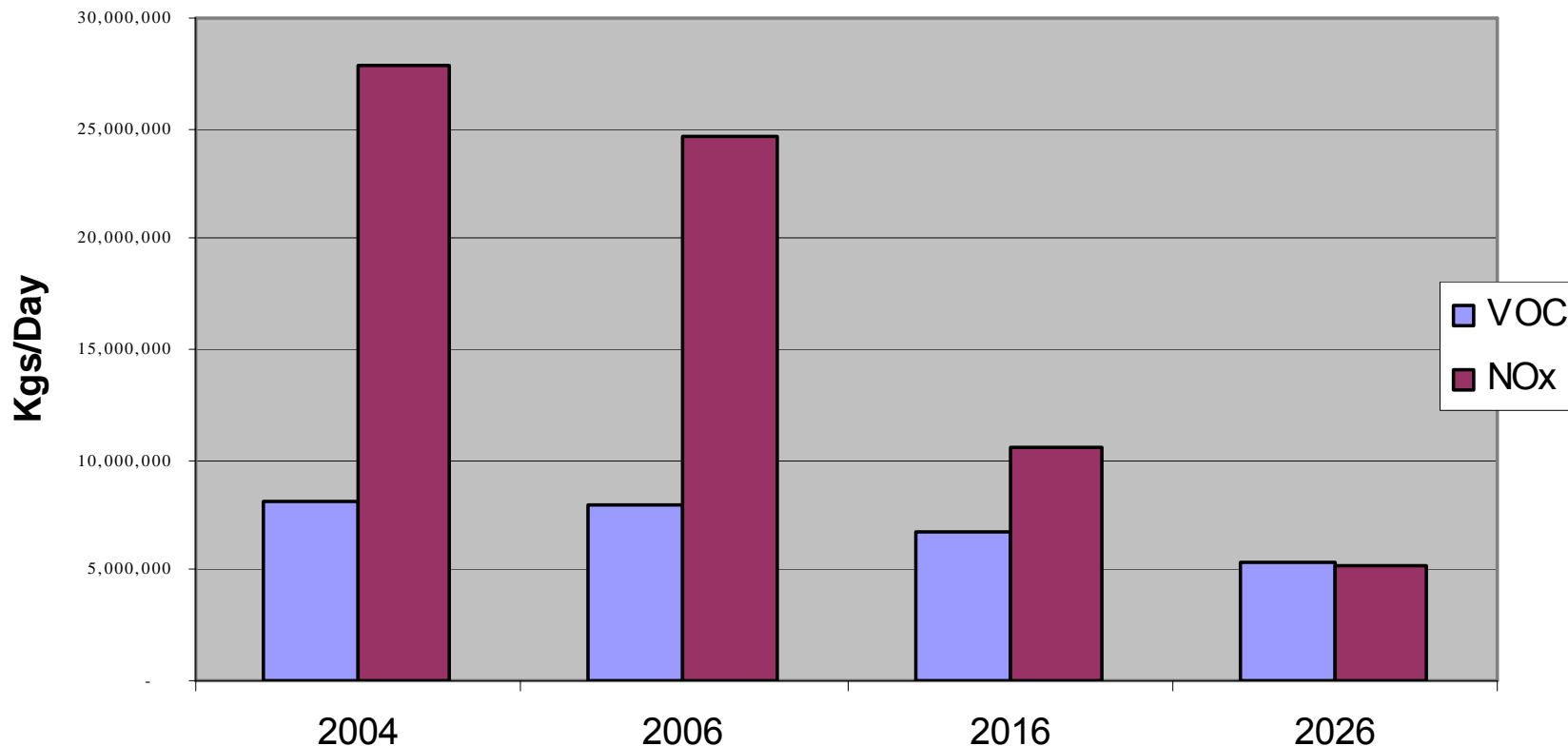
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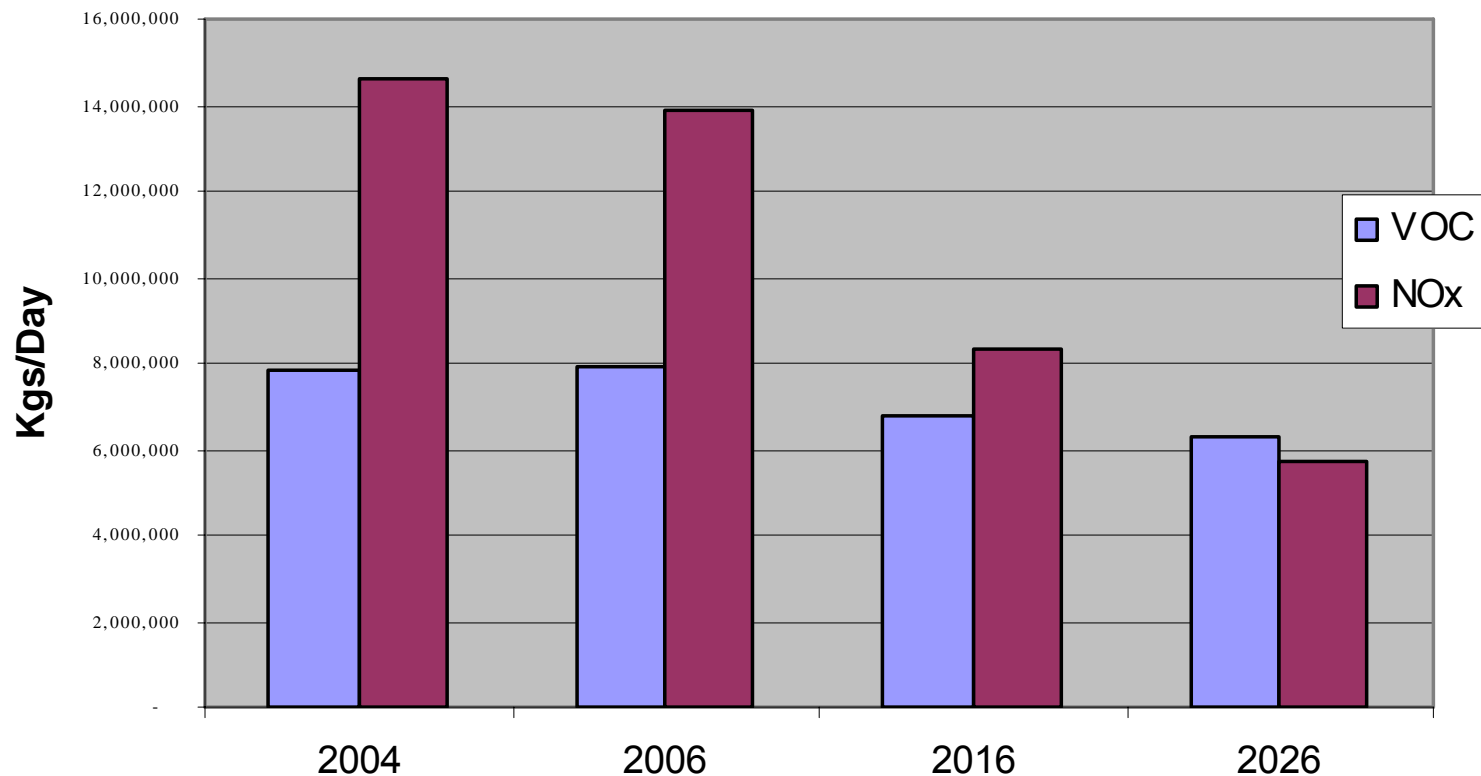
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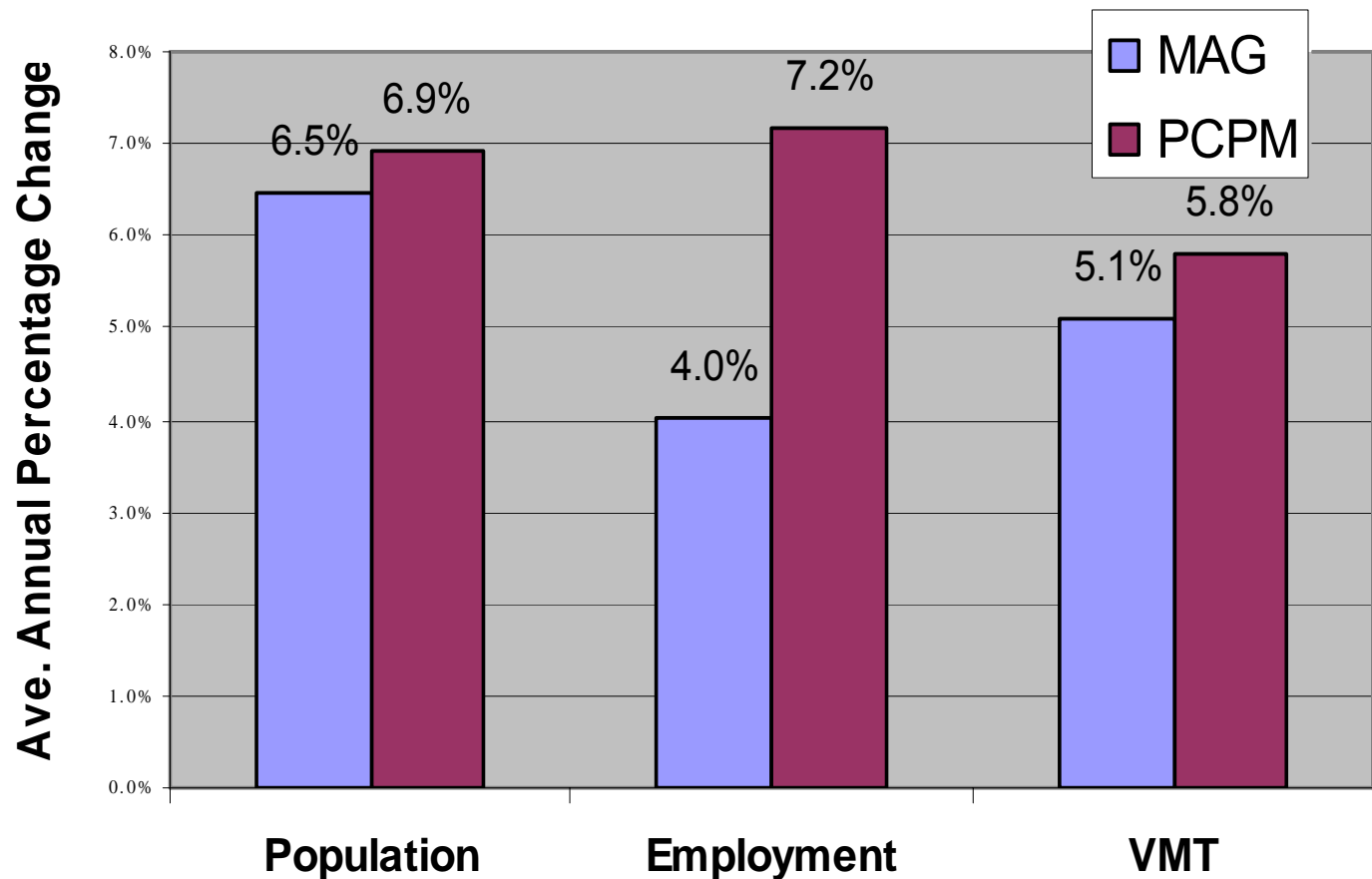


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# Comparison of Growth Rates with Emission Rate Reductions:

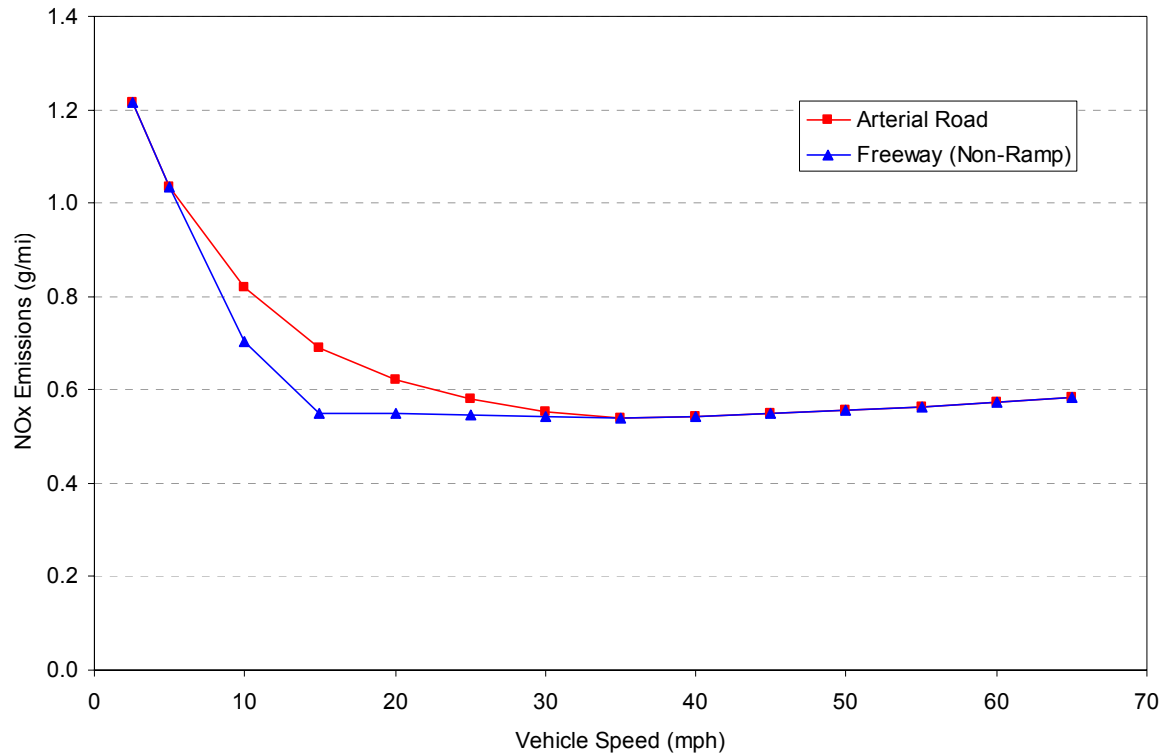
VOC: 5.8 - 6.5%/year NO<sub>x</sub>: 8.9-11.9%/year





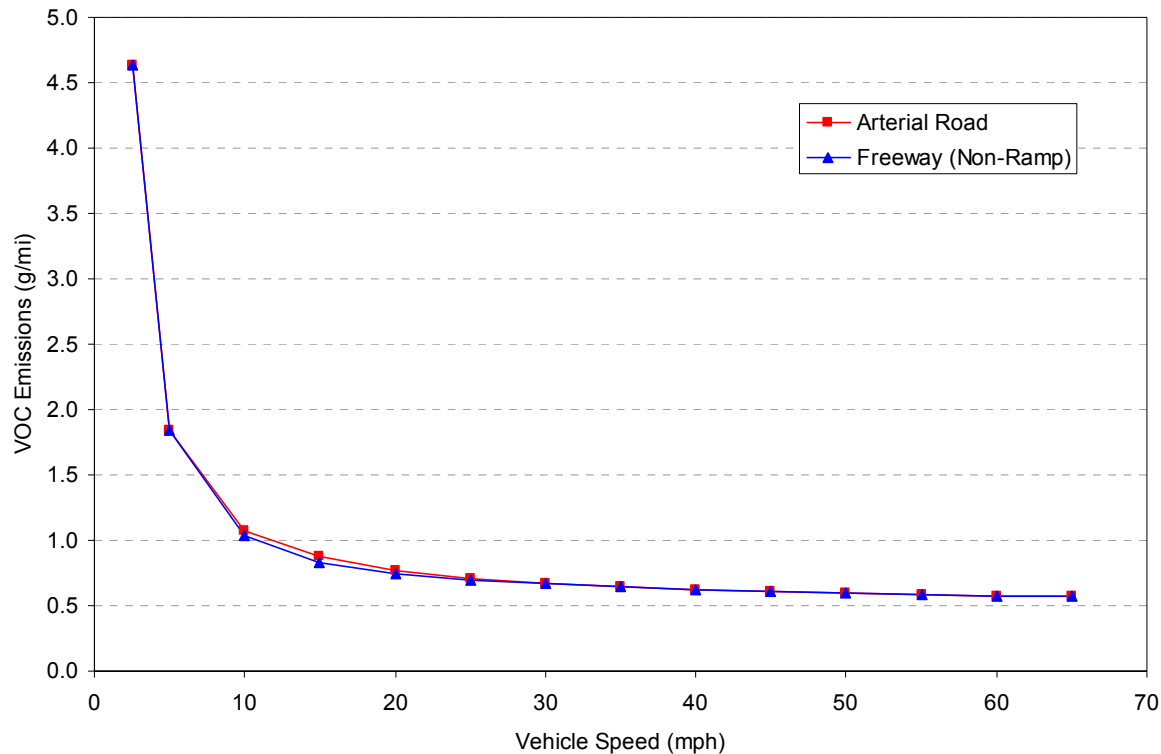
# Relationship of NO<sub>x</sub> Emission Rates to Average Facility Speed

LDGV NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions by Average Facility Speed  
(MOBILE6 National Fleet Defaults)



# Relationship of VOC Emission Rates to Average Facility Speed

LDGV VOC Emissions by Average Facility Speed  
(MOBILE6 National Fleet Defaults)



# Conclusions about Ozone Precursor Emissions

- ◆ Growth in travel will be dramatic in Pinal County
- ◆ The nature of travel in Pinal County will change – more internal travel and a lower share of heavy-duty vehicles in the fleet mix
- ◆ Average emission rates for VOC and NO<sub>x</sub> will drop
- ◆ Total emissions of VOC and NO<sub>x</sub> will almost certainly be lower in twenty years



# **Spreadsheet Model for Computing PM<sub>10</sub> Impacts from Unpaved Road Travel**

# EPA Emission Equation for Unpaved Road Use

$$E = \frac{k (s/12)^a (S/30)^b}{(M/0.5)^c} - C$$

where: E = size-specific emission factor (lb/VMT)

s = surface material silt content (%)

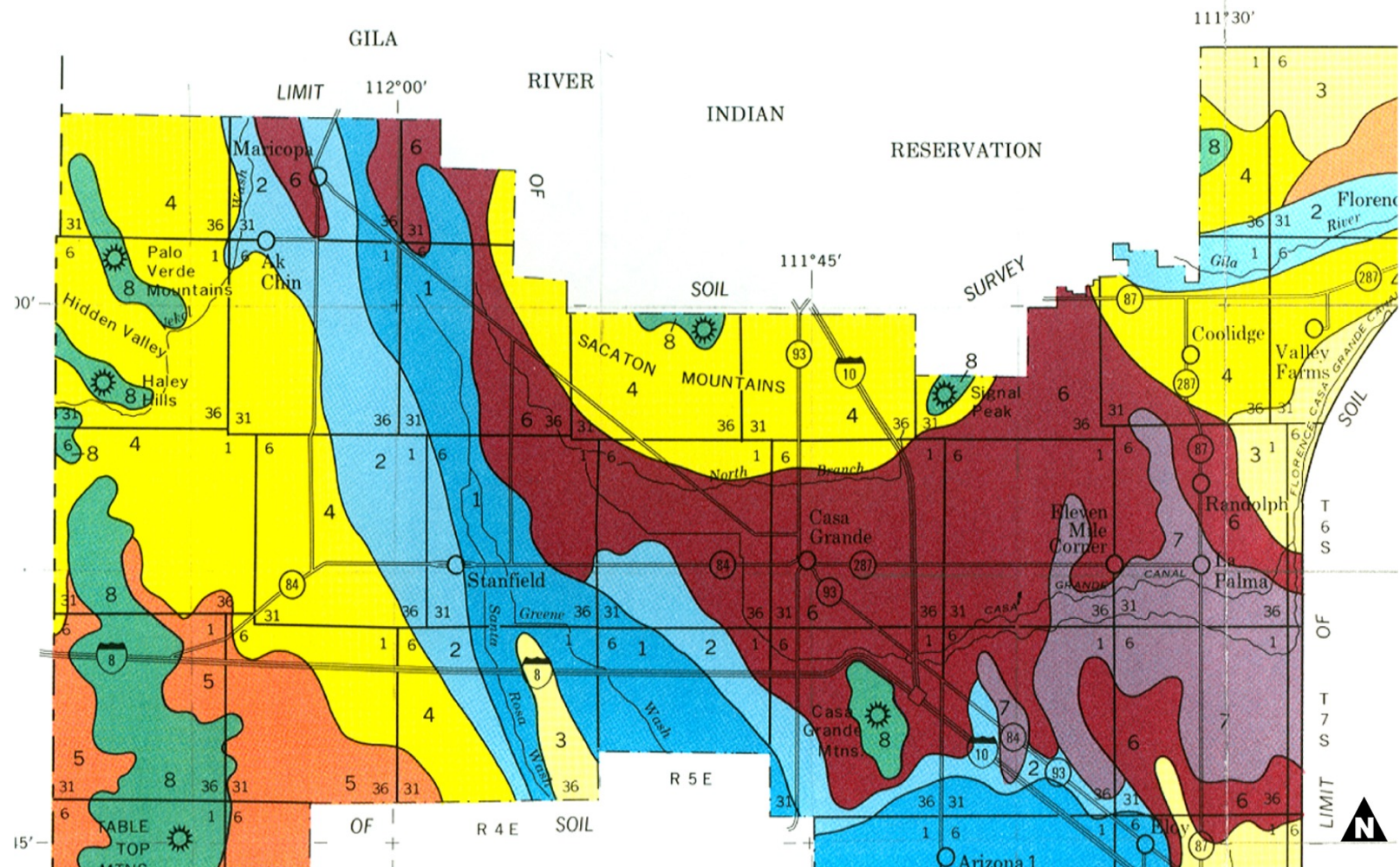
S = mean vehicle speed (mph)

M = surface material moisture content (%)

C = emission factor for 1980's vehicle fleet  
exhaust, brake wear and tire wear

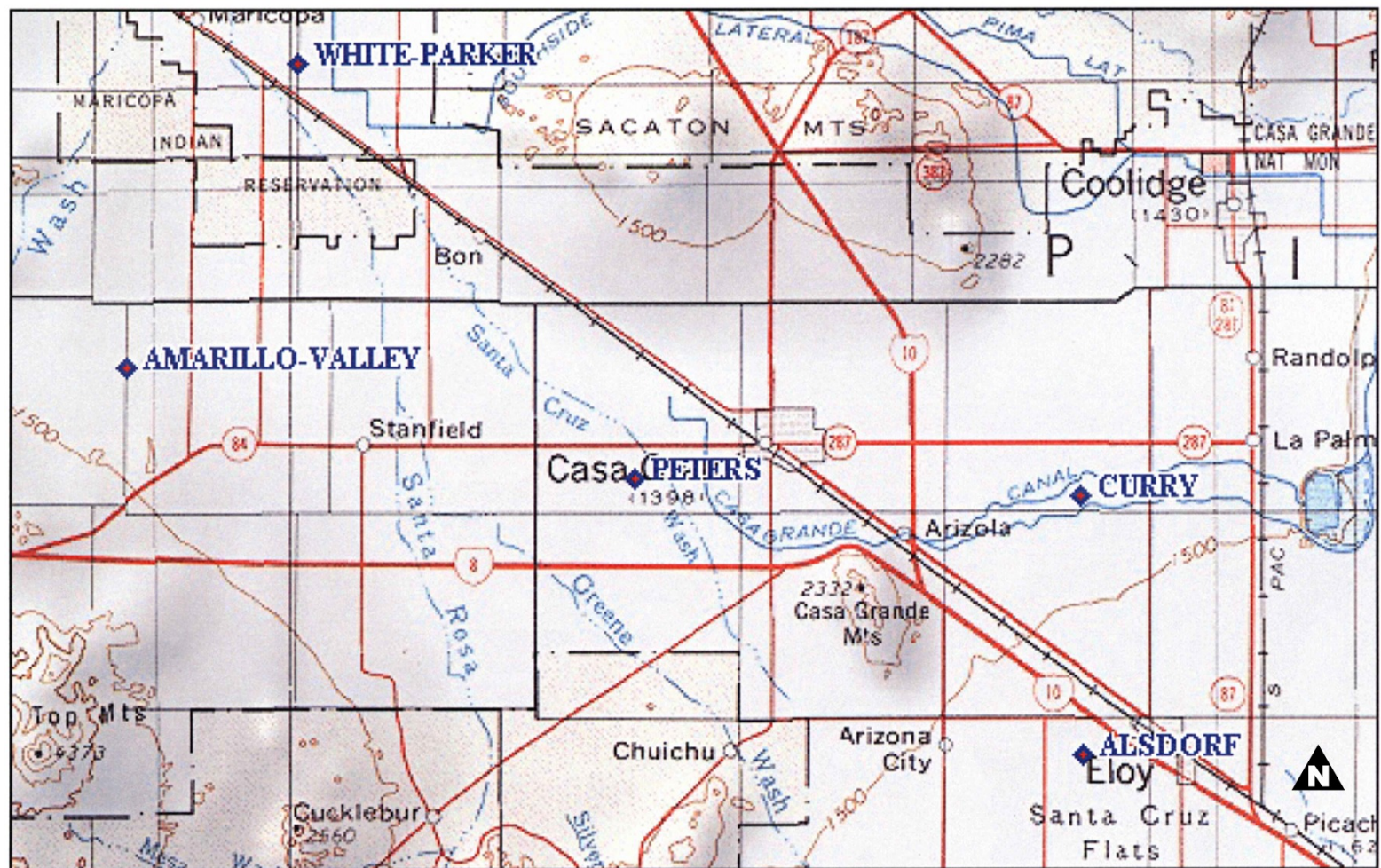
= 0.00047 lb/VMT for PM<sub>10</sub>

# General Soil Map of Western Pinal County





# Location of Unpaved Road Traffic Counters



# Next Steps

- ◆ Respond to TAC Comments on Products
- ◆ Prepare Final Documents

